

# WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

Education Committee

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Dear Parents

We are nearly at the time of year for sleigh bells and santas and I just wanted to give you a heads up of some of the things that are happening this year in school around the last few weeks of term.

Dates of interest:

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December:	6:00pm Millennium Choir Christmas Concert
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December:	6:00pm Concert in Church
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December :	5:30pm GBSA Children's Disco
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December:	2:00pm KS1 Performance
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December:	5:00pm KS1 Performance
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December:	9:30am KS1 Jack and the Beanstalk Panto 11:45am - 1:00pm Party Lunchtime 1:30pm KS2 Jack and the Beanstalk Panto
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	12:00pm Christmas Dinner
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	2:00pm Church Service

You will notice that we are not visiting the Watermill Theatre this year and some people have been surprised by this. As a staff we are always reviewing what we do and what is available linked to children's engagement, learning and managed cost.

The school is a very creative place and we all value theatre and music. For this reason we have made a conscious decision to promote close encounters with theatrical groups that travel to schools and really bring interaction for the children. This kind of experience enables children of all ages including the reception class to understand how drama fits within the curriculum in a school setting, not just on the big stage. The next phase of course is to visit theatres locally and nationally to experience bigger performances. The children will have the opportunity at some point in their KS2 education to visit a theatre to see performance at this level. This year I have asked the GBSA to support us with the cost of this touring company and they have given us £500 from their pot for which we are very grateful. This is what fund raising is all about for me as a headteacher. It gives me the ability to plan high quality considered education knowing that the resources can be supported through your generosity, so thank you.



Our visiting pantomime this year will be in 2 sessions, 1 session for reception and KS1 and then KS2. We would like to invite the parents of reception and KS1 to send 1 adult to watch the production with their child. We can only offer 1 space due to fire regulations and numbers in the hall. Please let us know **in the office** the name of the person attending with your child.

We have our school open day next Tuesday and look forward to seeing those of you with pre-school age children and please encourage friends to visit and see the children at work.

Thank you to the parents who came to the meeting held on Wednesday evening about e-safety and the development of our sex education scheme. It was a very good evening and the discussion and feedback was so positive.

The children have now been told which houses they are in and hopefully the points will start pouring in encouraging even better great behaviour, even more hard work, even smarter school uniform wearing and most importantly of all further development of the things that make Great Bedwyn and the children in it So Fantastic!

Have a good weekend

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K Spencer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'K' and 'S'.

K Spencer  
Headteacher